

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A traveling working machine comprising:

a lower traveling body;

an upper rotating body mounted rotatably on said lower traveling body, said upper rotating body having a rotating frame and winches;

a boom mounted on said upper rotating body so as to be capable of rising and lowering;
and

a pair of right and left frames which support the boom formed in said rotating frame to pivotally support both right and left sides of a rear end portion of said boom, axial portions of the winches, including maximum-diameter portions of the winches, being mounted inside rear portions of said frames which support the boom, said frames which support the boom having recessed cut-outs along smaller-diameter portions of one of the winches than said maximum-diameter portions, said smaller-diameter portions not including shafts of said one of the winches, wherein the rear portions of said frames which support the boom at each side of the machine comprise a fixed frame and a detachable frame connected detachably to said fixed frame, and winch openings adapted to pass the smaller-diameter portions of said one of the winches are formed by the recessed cut-outs and the detachable frames when both said fixed and detachable frames are connected together so as to sandwich the smaller-diameter portions of said one of the winches with the detachable frames supporting said one of the winches from below.

Claim 2 (Cancelled).

Claim 3 (Previously Presented): A traveling working machine according to claim 1, wherein in a mutually connected state of both said fixed and detachable frames, said openings ~~which~~ have a generally circular shape.

Claim 4 (Previously Presented): A traveling working machine according to claim 1, wherein said winches are mutually disposed vertically at the rear portions of said frames which support the boom.

Claim 5 (Previously Presented): A traveling working machine according to claim 1, wherein said winches are mutually disposed longitudinally at the rear portions of said frames which support the boom.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): A traveling working machine ~~according to claim 1~~ comprising:

- a lower traveling body;
- an upper rotating body mounted rotatably on said lower traveling body, said upper rotating body having a rotating frame and winches;
- a boom mounted on said upper rotating body so as to be capable of rising and lowering;
- a pair of right and left frames which support the boom formed in said rotating frame to pivotally support both right and left sides of a rear end portion of said boom, axial portions of the winches, including maximum-diameter portions of the winches, being mounted inside rear portions of said frames which support the boom, said frames which support the boom having recessed cut-outs along smaller-diameter portions of the winches than said maximum-diameter portions said smaller-diameter portions not including shafts of the winches, wherein the rear portions of said frames which support the boom each comprises a fixed frame and a detachable

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frame connected detachably to said fixed frame, and winch openings adapted to pass the smaller-diameter portions of the winches are formed by the recessed cut-outs and the detachable frames when both said fixed and detachable frames are connected together so as to sandwich the smaller-diameter portions of the winches with the detachable frames supporting the winches from below, further comprising:

counterweight mounting portions for mounting a counterweight, said counterweight mounting portions being provided at the detachable frames of the rear portions of said boom support frames.